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**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

# Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering To the Registrar of Companies

Name of company

For official use	Company number
	03116322

\*insert full name of company

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Tinsert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

\* English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited

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Hamdi Conger of 7 Briar Road, Newthorpe, Nottinghamshire, NG16 2BN;

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(the sole director) [all the directors] of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

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(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the][a] holding company of\* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

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Presentor's name address and reference (if any):
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The assistance is for the purpose of \*that: Decquisition\* [reducing or discharging a liability incurred for the purpose of that acquisition].\* (note 1)

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The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is:

- (i) 5,921,765 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited; and
- (ii) 736,212 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by MI UK Railways Holdings LLP.

The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

(i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; (ii) MJ UK Railway Holdings LLP of 9E Lockerman Street, Suite 1B, Dover DE 19901, County of Kent, USA and (iii) English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited, McBeath House, 310 Goswell Road, London, EC1V 7LL.

The assistance will take the form of: See appendix 1 \*Delete as The person who [has acquired][will acquire]\* the shares is: appropriate (i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; and (ii) MJ UK Railway Holdings LLP of 9E Lockerman Street, Suite 1B, Dover DE 19901, County of Kent, USA The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are: See appendix 2

The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is Nil

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

Nil

The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £

Nil

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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- (a) [#We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
- (b) Ut is intended to commence the winding up of this company within 12 months of that determ and the epinion that this company will be able to pervite debts in full within xx 12 months of the commence are enceted the winding up 1 † (note 3)

And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at

Declarants to sign below

the

day of

one thousand nine hundred and

before me

A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

le soussigné, Maître Xavier BRUNET Notaire associé à Annecy (FRANCE) certifie sincère et véritable la signature

apposée ci-contre

par M CONGER
Fait à Annecy le 5/6/06

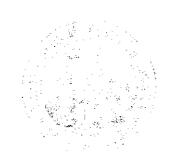
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#### FORM 155 (6) (b) APPENDIX 1 – FORM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

# ENGLISH WELSH & SCOTTISH RAILWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED (EWS) AS A HOLDING COMPANY OF BOREAL & AUSTRAL RAILFREIGHT LIMITED (B&A)

The assistance in this transaction (where applicable in respect of each relevant party) will take the form of:

- (a) EWSR, EWSI (each as a seller of its debts and EWSR as a borrower) and EWS entering into new financing facilities with LTSBCF (which facilities will then be subparticipated to Lloyds TSB Bank plc and certain other banks or financial institutions) totalling (in aggregate with the BVI Facility as defined below) up to £150 million (the EWS Facilities). The EWS Facilities will comprise Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts) and a Property Loan Agreement and a Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement (each with EWSR as borrower). At the same time as entering into the EWS Facilities, EWS cancelling its existing bank facilities with Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.
- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

#### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - (i) guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

on the terms agreed.

- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
  - (iii) will undertake to do all such acts or execute all such documents as LTSBCF requires to:
    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
    - (B) facilitate the realisation of the Charged Assets or the exercise of any rights vested in LTSBCF or any receiver; and
  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

on the terms agreed.

- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
  - (ii) will create fixed charges over the shares they hold in the capital of EWSR, RES and EWSI respectively,

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on the terms agreed.

(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**BVI Facility** means a £20 million loan facility which BVI proposes enter with LTSBCF (in which Lloyds Bank plc and certain other banks or other banks or other financial institutions will again sub-participate);

**B&A** means Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited (company number 3164272);

**BVI** means UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited (registered in the British Virgin Islands with the number 565232);

Charged Assets means the assets of EWS, EWSR, EWSI, RES and/or any assets from time to time subject, or expressed to be subject, to the Charges or any part of those assets;

Charges means all or any of the security created or expressed to be created by or pursuant to the Security Deed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and/or RES;

EWSI means English Welsh & Scottish Railway International Limited (company number 3232475);

EWS means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited (company number 3116322);

EWSR means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited (company number 2938988);

**E&W** means East & West Railway Limited (company number 3180966);

Finance Documents means each of the Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts), the Property Loan Agreement and the Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement, the Guarantee, the Security Deed, the Share Charges, the Enforcement Agreement, any accession letters, any resignation letter and any other document designated as such by the relevant parties;

Liabilities means all present and future moneys, debts and liabilities due, owing or incurred by it to any secured party under or in connection with any Finance Document (in each case, whether alone or jointly, or jointly and severally, with any other person, whether actually or contingently and whether as principal, surety or otherwise);

LTSBCF means Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited (company number 733011);

New Security Documents means the Share Charges and the Security Deed together;

**RD** means Res December Limited (company number 3134604); and

**RES** means Rail Express Systems Limited (2938991).

## APPENDIX 3 – DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

A date being not later than eight weeks from the date hereof.

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Our ref rf/218

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

KPMG LLP

Registered Auditor



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l/We<sup>†</sup>

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(shaceobecalizector)[all the directors] of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

‡Delete whichever is inappropriate

(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the] be holding company of\* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

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- and three have formed the opinion that this company wilkles able to pay its debts in full within xx

And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at Boston, Massachusetts

Declarants to sign below

one thousand nine hundred and

before me

A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

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- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
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Our ref rf/218

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

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Presentor's name address and reference (if any):
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- (ii) 736,212 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by MJ UK Railways Holdings LLP.

The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

(i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin

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The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is Nil

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

Nil

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Nil

Please do not write in this margin The date on which the assistance is to be given is See appendix 3

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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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- (a) [I/We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
- (b) It is intended to some near the winding up of this company within 12 months of that date; xx and there is smadthe continent that this company with becable to pay its debts in full within xx 12 months of the commence ment of the winding rups ] † (note 3)

And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at

Gontseal, Quebace

Declarants to sign below

Alan Finn

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MARIA CASTELLI 155 473 before me

A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

#### Notes

- 1 For the meaning of "a person incurring a liability" and "reducing or discharging a liability" see section 152(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
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- 3 Contingent and prospective liabilities of the company are to be taken into account—see section 156(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 4 The auditors' report required by section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985 must be annexed to this form.

#### FORM 155 (6) (b) APPENDIX 1 – FORM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

## ENGLISH WELSH & SCOTTISH RAILWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED (EWS) AS A HOLDING COMPANY OF BOREAL & AUSTRAL RAILFREIGHT LIMITED (B&A)

The assistance in this transaction (where applicable in respect of each relevant party) will take the form of:

- (a) EWSR, EWSI (each as a seller of its debts and EWSR as a borrower) and EWS entering into new financing facilities with LTSBCF (which facilities will then be subparticipated to Lloyds TSB Bank plc and certain other banks or financial institutions) totalling (in aggregate with the BVI Facility as defined below) up to £150 million (the EWS Facilities). The EWS Facilities will comprise Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts) and a Property Loan Agreement and a Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement (each with EWSR as borrower). At the same time as entering into the EWS Facilities, EWS cancelling its existing bank facilities with Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.
- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

#### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - (i) guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

on the terms agreed.

- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
  - (iii) will undertake to do all such acts or execute all such documents as LTSBCF requires to:
    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
    - (B) facilitate the realisation of the Charged Assets or the exercise of any rights vested in LTSBCF or any receiver; and
  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

on the terms agreed.

- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
  - (ii) will create fixed charges over the shares they hold in the capital of EWSR, RES and EWSI respectively,

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on the terms agreed.

(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

BVI Facility means a £20 million loan facility which BVI proposes enter with LTSBCF (in which Lloyds Bank plc and certain other banks or other banks or other financial institutions will again sub-participate);

**B&A** means Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited (company number 3164272);

**BVI** means UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited (registered in the British Virgin Islands with the number 565232);

Charged Assets means the assets of EWS, EWSR, EWSI, RES and/or any assets from time to time subject, or expressed to be subject, to the Charges or any part of those assets;

Charges means all or any of the security created or expressed to be created by or pursuant to the Security Deed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and/or RES;

EWSI means English Welsh & Scottish Railway International Limited (company number 3232475);

EWS means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited (company number 3116322);

EWSR means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited (company number 2938988);

E&W means East & West Railway Limited (company number 3180966);

Finance Documents means each of the Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts), the Property Loan Agreement and the Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement, the Guarantee, the Security Deed, the Share Charges, the Enforcement Agreement, any accession letters, any resignation letter and any other document designated as such by the relevant parties;

Liabilities means all present and future moneys, debts and liabilities due, owing or incurred by it to any secured party under or in connection with any Finance Document (in each case, whether alone or jointly, or jointly and severally, with any other person, whether actually or contingently and whether as principal, surety or otherwise);

LTSBCF means Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited (company number 733011);

New Security Documents means the Share Charges and the Security Deed together;

RD means Res December Limited (company number 3134604); and

RES means Rail Express Systems Limited (2938991).

### APPENDIX 3 – DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

A date being not later than eight weeks from the date hereof.

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The Directors
English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings
Limited
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London EC1V 7LL

Our ref rf/218

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

KPMG LLP

Registered Auditor

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**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

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Name of company

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\*Insert full name of company

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finsert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

\* English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited

l/We<sup>†</sup>

Hamdi Conger of 7 Briar Road, Newthorpe, Nottinghamshire, NG16 2BN;

Carl Ferenbach of 87 Pinckney Street, Boston, Massachusetts, MA 02114, USA;

Sean Finn of 935 de la Guacheterie Street West, Floor 16, Montreal, Quebec H3B 2M9, Canada;

Keith Heller of 56 Scarsdale Villas, London, W8 6PP;

Lord Griffiths of Fforestfach of 133 Fleet Street, London, EC4A 2BB;

Claude Mongeau of 935 de la Guacheterie Street West, Floor 16, Montreal, Quebec H3B 2M9, Canada; and

David Richwhite of Appartment 16 Hale House, 34 De Vere Gardens, London, W8 5AQ.

Delete as appropriate

(that sole directors) of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

Delete whichever is inappropriate

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(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the] [18] holding company of\* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

xthe holding company of this company.]

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The assistance is for the purpose of that acquisition [[reducing or discharging a liability incurred Please do not for the purpose of that acquisition].\* (note 1)

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The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

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The assistance will take the form of:

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The person who [has acquired][will-acquire]\* the shares is:

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The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:

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The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is Nil

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

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Declarants to sign below

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering \*We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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- (a) [I/We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
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And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

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A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

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- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

#### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

on the terms agreed.

- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
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    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
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  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

on the terms agreed.

- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
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on the terms agreed.

(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

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### APPENDIX 3 – DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

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The Directors
English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings
Limited
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310 Goswell Road
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Our ref rf/218

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

KPMG LLP

Registered Auditor

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**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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\* English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or To the Registrar of Companies

Name of company

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\*Insert full name of company

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Tinsert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

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Delete as appropriate

(the sode slive of the directors) of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

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(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the] [se] holding company of\* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

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Presentor's name address and reference (if any):
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- (a) [#We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
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And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at

133 FLEET STREET EC4A 2BB

the 05 day of June 2006

one thousand nine hundred and

before me occurring

A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

EVERSHEDS LLP

85 QUEEN VICTORIA STREET

LONDON, ECAV 9TL

#### Notes

- 1 For the meaning of "a person incurring a liability" and "reducing or discharging a liability" see section 152(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
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- 3 Contingent and prospective liabilities of the company are to be taken into account—see section 156(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 4 The auditors' report required by section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985 must be annexed to this form.

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## FORM 155 (6) (b) APPENDIX 1 – FORM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

# ENGLISH WELSH & SCOTTISH RAILWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED (EWS) AS A HOLDING COMPANY OF BOREAL & AUSTRAL RAILFREIGHT LIMITED (B&A)

The assistance in this transaction (where applicable in respect of each relevant party) will take the form of:

- (a) EWSR, EWSI (each as a seller of its debts and EWSR as a borrower) and EWS entering into new financing facilities with LTSBCF (which facilities will then be subparticipated to Lloyds TSB Bank plc and certain other banks or financial institutions) totalling (in aggregate with the BVI Facility as defined below) up to £150 million (the EWS Facilities). The EWS Facilities will comprise Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts) and a Property Loan Agreement and a Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement (each with EWSR as borrower). At the same time as entering into the EWS Facilities, EWS cancelling its existing bank facilities with Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.
- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - (i) guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

on the terms agreed.

- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
  - (iii) will undertake to do all such acts or execute all such documents as LTSBCF requires to:
    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
    - (B) facilitate the realisation of the Charged Assets or the exercise of any rights vested in LTSBCF or any receiver; and
  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

on the terms agreed.

- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
  - (ii) will create fixed charges over the shares they hold in the capital of EWSR, RES and EWSI respectively,

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on the terms agreed.

(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

### **DEFINITIONS**

BVI Facility means a £20 million loan facility which BVI proposes enter with LTSBCF (in which Lloyds Bank plc and certain other banks or other banks or other financial institutions will again sub-participate);

**B&A** means Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited (company number 3164272);

BVI means UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited (registered in the British Virgin Islands with the number 565232);

Charged Assets means the assets of EWS, EWSR, EWSI, RES and/or any assets from time to time subject, or expressed to be subject, to the Charges or any part of those assets;

Charges means all or any of the security created or expressed to be created by or pursuant to the Security Deed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and/or RES;

EWSI means English Welsh & Scottish Railway International Limited (company number 3232475);

EWS means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited (company number 3116322);

EWSR means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited (company number 2938988);

E&W means East & West Railway Limited (company number 3180966);

Finance Documents means each of the Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts), the Property Loan Agreement and the Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement, the Guarantee, the Security Deed, the Share Charges, the Enforcement Agreement, any accession letters, any resignation letter and any other document designated as such by the relevant parties;

Liabilities means all present and future moneys, debts and liabilities due, owing or incurred by it to any secured party under or in connection with any Finance Document (in each case, whether alone or jointly, or jointly and severally, with any other person, whether actually or contingently and whether as principal, surety or otherwise);

LTSBCF means Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited (company number 733011);

New Security Documents means the Share Charges and the Security Deed together;

RD means Res December Limited (company number 3134604); and

RES means Rail Express Systems Limited (2938991).

# APPENDIX 3 – DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

A date being not later than eight weeks from the date hereof.



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The Directors
English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings
Limited
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Our ref rf/218

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

KPMG LLP

Registered Auditor

**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

# Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

\* English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited

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To the Registrar of Companies

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Name of company

\*Insert full name

of company

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Tinsert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

l/We<sup>†</sup>

Hamdi Conger of 7 Briar Road, Newthorpe, Nottinghamshire, NG16 2BN;

Carl Ferenbach of 87 Pinckney Street, Boston, Massachusetts, MA 02114, USA;

Sean Finn of 935 de la Guacheterie Street West, Floor 16, Montreal, Quebec H3B 2M9, Canada;

Keith Heller of 56 Scarsdale Villas, London, W8 6PP;

Lord Griffiths of Fforestfach of 133 Fleet Street, London, EC4A 2BB;

Claude Mongeau of 935 de la Guacheterie Street West, Floor 16, Montreal, Quebec H3B 2M9, Canada; and

David Richwhite of Appartment 16 Hale House, 34 De Vere Gardens, London, W8 5AQ.

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The business of this company is:

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(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the][e] holding company of\* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

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Presentor's name address and reference (if any): FRESHFIELDS BRUCKHAUS DERINGER 65 FLEET STREET, LONDON ENGLAND EC4Y 1HS DX 23 LONDON/CHANCERY LANE

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The assistance is for the purpose of ithat acquisition].\* (note 1)

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The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is:

(i) 5,921,765 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited; and (ii) 736,212 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by MJ UK Railways Holdings LLP.

The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

(i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; (ii) MJ UK Railway Holdings LLP of 9E Lockerman Street, Suite 1B, Dover DE 19901, County of Kent, USA and (iii) English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited, McBeath House, 310 Goswell Road, London, EC1V 7LL.

Т	he	assistance	will	take	the	form	of:

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The person who [has acquired][will acquired]\* the shares is:

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(i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; and (ii) MJ UK Railway Holdings LLP of 9E Lockerman Street, Suite 1B, Dover DE 19901, County of Kent, USA

The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:

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The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is Nil

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

Nil

The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £

The date on which the assistance is to be given is See appendix 3

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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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- (a) [I/We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
- (b) It is intended to commence the winding up of this company within 12 months of that determ and the expinion that this company will be able to pay its debts in full within xx 12 months of the commence ment of the swinding up; [ † (note 3)

And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

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## FORM 155 (6) (b) APPENDIX 1 – FORM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

# ENGLISH WELSH & SCOTTISH RAILWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED (EWS) AS A HOLDING COMPANY OF BOREAL & AUSTRAL RAILFREIGHT LIMITED (B&A)

The assistance in this transaction (where applicable in respect of each relevant party) will take the form of:

- entering into new financing facilities with LTSBCF (which facilities will then be sub-participated to Lloyds TSB Bank plc and certain other banks or financial institutions) totalling (in aggregate with the BVI Facility as defined below) up to £150 million (the EWS Facilities). The EWS Facilities will comprise Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts) and a Property Loan Agreement and a Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement (each with EWSR as borrower). At the same time as entering into the EWS Facilities, EWS cancelling its existing bank facilities with Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.
- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the *Security Deed*)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - (i) guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

on the terms agreed.

- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
  - (iii) will undertake to do all such acts or execute all such documents as LTSBCF requires to:
    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
    - (B) facilitate the realisation of the Charged Assets or the exercise of any rights vested in LTSBCF or any receiver; and
  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

on the terms agreed.

- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
  - (ii) will create fixed charges over the shares they hold in the capital of EWSR, RES and EWSI respectively,

on the terms agreed.

(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

### **DEFINITIONS**

BVI Facility means a £20 million loan facility which BVI proposes enter with LTSBCF (in which Lloyds Bank plc and certain other banks or other banks or other financial institutions will again sub-participate);

**B&A** means Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited (company number 3164272);

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Charged Assets means the assets of EWS, EWSR, EWSI, RES and/or any assets from time to time subject, or expressed to be subject, to the Charges or any part of those assets;

Charges means all or any of the security created or expressed to be created by or pursuant to the Security Deed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and/or RES;

EWSI means English Welsh & Scottish Railway International Limited (company number 3232475);

EWS means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited (company number 3116322);

EWSR means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited (company number 2938988);

E&W means East & West Railway Limited (company number 3180966);

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# APPENDIX 3 – DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

A date being not later than eight weeks from the date hereof.



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Our ref rf/218

**Dear Sirs** 

Auditors' report to the directors of English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 5 June 2006 in connection with the proposal that Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited, of which this company is a holding company, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging a liability previously incurred for the purpose of the purchase of this company's ordinary shares.

This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

KPMG LLP

Registered Auditor

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**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

# Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

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Name of company

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\*Insert full name

of company

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†Insert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

\* English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited

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Delete as appropriate [all the directors] of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

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(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the] holding company of \* Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company][

xthe holding company of this company.

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):
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The assistance is for the purpose of that acquisition [reducing or discharging a liability incurred for the purpose of that acquisition].\* (note 1)

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## The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is:

- (i) 5,921,765 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited; and
- (ii) 736,212 ordinary shares of £1.00 each in this company, acquired by MJ UK Railways Holdings LLP.

### The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

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The assistance will take the form of:

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The person who [has acquired][will-nequire]\* the shares is:

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(i) UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited of Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; and (ii) MJ UK Railway Holdings LLP of 9E Lockerman Street, Suite 1B, Dover DE 19901, County of Kent, USA

The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:

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The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is Nil

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

Nil

The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £

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We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

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> Roger J C Partridge Solicitor Auckland

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The assistance in this transaction (where applicable in respect of each relevant party) will take the form of:

- (a) EWSR, EWSI (each as a seller of its debts and EWSR as a borrower) and EWS entering into new financing facilities with LTSBCF (which facilities will then be subparticipated to Lloyds TSB Bank plc and certain other banks or financial institutions) totalling (in aggregate with the BVI Facility as defined below) up to £150 million (the EWS Facilities). The EWS Facilities will comprise Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts) and a Property Loan Agreement and a Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement (each with EWSR as borrower). At the same time as entering into the EWS Facilities, EWS cancelling its existing bank facilities with Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.
- (b) the providing of guarantees and the giving of indemnities in respect of the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility (as defined below) in favour of LTSBCF by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and RES (together the *Guarantors*) entering into a composite guarantee and indemnity (the *Guarantee*).
- (c) the Guarantors entering into a security deed in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, under which security will be granted in favour of LTSBCF by each of them over all of their assets and undertakings (the Security Deed)
- (d) E&W, RD and B&A, each entering into a security document in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility granting a charge in favour of LTSBCF over all of the shares in EWSI, RES and EWSR respectively (the *Share Charges*).
- (e) EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI, RES, B&A, RD, E&W and BVI) and LTSBCF entering into an enforcement agreement (the *Enforcement Agreement*).

### APPENDIX 2 - PRINCIPAL TERMS ON WHICH THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN

- (a) Pursuant to the EWS Facilities, EWSR and EWSI paying certain fees to LTSBCF in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to the Guarantee, EWS (together with EWSI, EWSR and RES on a joint and several basis) will enter into obligations as Guarantors in relation to the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility to:
  - (i) guarantee to LTSBCF punctual performance by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI of each of their respective obligations under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility;
  - (ii) undertake with LTSBCF that whenever EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility, it shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
  - (iii) indemnify LTSBCF immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by LTSBCF if any obligation guaranteed by EWS, EWSR, EWSI and BVI is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal,

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- (c) Pursuant to the Security Deed, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES):
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF;
  - (ii) will create fixed and floating charges over its assets and undertakings as security for their respective Liabilities under the Finance Documents;
  - (iii) will undertake to do all such acts or execute all such documents as LTSBCF requires to:
    - (A) perfect or protect the Charges or the priority of the Charges; and/or
    - (B) facilitate the realisation of the Charged Assets or the exercise of any rights vested in LTSBCF or any receiver; and
  - (iv) will promptly execute and deliver to LTSBCF a Charge of such of its real property from time to time in England and/or Wales as LTSBCF requires,

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- (d) Pursuant to the Share Charges, B&A, RD and E&W, amongst other things:
  - (i) will covenant to pay to LTSBCF all Liabilities when due in accordance with its terms or, if they do not specify the time for payment, immediately on demand by LTSBCF; and
  - (ii) will create fixed charges over the shares they hold in the capital of EWSR, RES and EWSI respectively,

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(e) Pursuant to the Enforcement Agreement, EWS (together with EWSR, EWSI and RES) and LTSBCF will enter into arrangements relating to (amongst other things) security issues relating to the New Security Documents, the Guarantee and Indemnity Document, the EWS Facilities and the BVI Facility.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**BVI Facility** means a £20 million loan facility which BVI proposes enter with LTSBCF (in which Lloyds Bank plc and certain other banks or other banks or other financial institutions will again sub-participate);

**B&A** means Boreal & Austral Railfreight Limited (company number 3164272);

**BVI** means UK Railway Holdings (BVI) Limited (registered in the British Virgin Islands with the number 565232);

Charged Assets means the assets of EWS, EWSR, EWSI, RES and/or any assets from time to time subject, or expressed to be subject, to the Charges or any part of those assets;

Charges means all or any of the security created or expressed to be created by or pursuant to the Security Deed by EWS, EWSI, EWSI and/or RES;

EWSI means English Welsh & Scottish Railway International Limited (company number 3232475);

EWS means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Holdings Limited (company number 3116322);

EWSR means English Welsh & Scottish Railway Limited (company number 2938988);

**E&W** means East & West Railway Limited (company number 3180966);

Finance Documents means each of the Debt Purchase Agreements (individually with each of EWSR and EWSI as seller of its respective debts), the Property Loan Agreement and the Plant and Machinery Loan Agreement, the Guarantee, the Security Deed, the Share Charges, the Enforcement Agreement, any accession letters, any resignation letter and any other document designated as such by the relevant parties;

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LTSBCF means Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited (company number 733011);

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RD means Res December Limited (company number 3134604); and

RES means Rail Express Systems Limited (2938991).

# APPENDIX 3 - DATE ON WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN

A date being not later than eight weeks from the date hereof.

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This report is made solely to the company's directors as a body in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we as the company's auditors might state to the company's directors those matters we are required to state to them in a report under section 156(4) of that Act and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's directors as a body for our work under section 156(4) of that Act or for this report.

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Yours faithfully

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